ARTICLES of UNION

Agreed on the Twenty second day of July, *in the fifth Year of the Reign of Her Most Excellent Majesty,* ANNE *by the Grace of GOD, Queen of* Scotland, England, France *and* Ireland, *Defender of the Faith,* &c. *and in the Year of Our LORD One thousand seven hundred and six, by the Commissioners nominated on behalf of the Kingdom of* Scotland, *under Her Majesties Great Seal of* Scotland, *bearing Date the twenty seventh day of* February *last past; In pursuance of the Fourth Act of the Third Session of Her Majesties Current Parliament of* Scotland, *in the Fourth Year of Her Majesties Reign; And the Commissioners Nominated on behalf of the Kingdom of* England, *under Her Majesties Great-Seal of* England, *bearing Date at* Westminster *the Tenth day of* April *last past; In pursuance of an Act of Parliament made in* England *the third Year of Her Majesties Reign, to treat of, and concerning an* UNION *of the said Kingdoms: Which Articles are in all Humility to be presented to the Queens most Excellent Majesty, and offered to the Consideration of the respective Parliaments of both Kingdoms, pursuant to the said Acts and Commissions.*

I. THAT the two Kingdoms of *Scotland* and *England*, shall upon the first Day of *May* next ensuing the Date hereof, and for ever after, be united into one Kingdom, by the Name of *GREAT-*

BRITAIN; And that the Enſigns Armorial of the ſaid united Kingdom be ſuch as Her Majeſty ſhall Appoint, and the Croſſes of St. *Andrew* and St. *George* be conjoyned in ſuch manner as Her Majeſty ſhall think fit, and uſed in all Flags, Banners, Standards, and Enſigns, both at Sea and Land.

II. THAT the Succeſſion to the Monarchy of the united Kingdom of *Great-Britain*, and of the Dominions thereunto belonging, after Her moſt Sacred Majeſty, and in default of Iſſue of Her Majeſty, Be, Remain and Continue to the moſt Excellent Princeſs *Sophia*, Electoreſs and Dutcheſs Dowager of *Hannover*, and the Heirs of Her Body, being *Proteſtants*, upon whom the Crown of *England* is ſettled, by an Act of Parliament made in *England* in the twelfth Year of the Reign of his late Majeſty King *William* the Third, Entituled, *An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better ſecuring the Rights and Liberties of the Subject*: And that all Papiſts, and perſons marrying Papiſts, ſhall be excluded from, and for ever incapable to Inherit, Poſſeſs, or Enjoy the Imperial Crown of *Great-Britain*, and the Dominions thereunto belonging, or any part thereof; And in every ſuch Caſe, the Crown and Government ſhall from time to time deſcend to, and be enjoyed by ſuch Perſon being a *Proteſtant*, as ſhould have inherited and enjoyed the ſame, in caſe ſuch Papiſts or Perſon marrying a Papiſt was naturally Dead, according to the Proviſion for the Deſcent of the Crown of *England*, made by another Act of Parliament

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in *England*, in the first Year of the Reign of their late Majesties King *William* and Queen *Mary*, Entituled, *An Act Declaring the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, and Settling the Succession of the Crown.*

III. THAT the united Kingdom of *Great-Britain* be represented by one and the same Parliament, to be Stiled the Parliament of *Great-Britain.*

IV. THAT all the Subjects of the united Kingdom of *Great-Britain* shall, from and after the Union, have full Freedom and Intercourse of Trade and Navigation, to and from any Port or Place within the said united Kingdom, and the Dominions and Plantations thereunto belonging; And that there be a Communication of all other Rights, Priviledges and Advantages, which do, or may belong to the Subjects of either Kingdom, except where it is otherways expresly agreed in these Articles.

V. THAT all Ships belonging to Her Majesties Subjects of *Scotland*, at the Time of Signing this Treaty for the Union of the two Kingdoms, tho Forreign built shall be deem'd, and pass as Ships of the Built of *Great-Britain*, the Owner, or where there are more Owners, one or more of the Owners, within Twelve Moneths after the Union, making Oath, That, at the time of signing the said Treaty, the same did belong to him or them, or to some other Subject or Subjects of *Scotland*, to be particularly Named, with the places of their respective Abodes, and that the same doth then belong to him or them, and

that no Forreigner directly, or indirectly, hath any Share, Part or Intereſt therein: Which Oath ſhall be made before the chief Officer or Officers of the Cuſtoms in the Port next to the Abode of the ſaid Owner or Owners; And the ſaid Officer, or Officers, ſhall be Impowered to Adminiſter the ſaid Oath; And the Oath being ſo Adminiſtred, ſhall be atteſted by the Officer or Officers, who Adminiſtred the ſame; And being Regiſtrat by the ſaid Officer, or Officers, ſhall be delivered to the Maſter of the Ship, for ſecurity of her Navigation, and a Duplicat thereof ſhall be Tranſmitted by the ſaid Officer, or Officers, to the chief Officer, or Officers, of the Cuſtoms in the Port of *Edinburgh*, to be there entered in a Regiſter, and from thence to be ſent to the Port of *London*, to be there entered in the General Regiſter of all Trading Ships belonging to *Great-Britain*.

VI. THAT all parts of the United Kingdom for ever, from and after the Union, ſhall have the ſame Allowances and *Encouragements*, and be under the ſame Prohibitions, Reſtrictions, and Regulations of Trade, and lyable to the ſame Cuſtoms and Duties on Import and Export: And that the Allowances, Encouragements, Prohibitions, Reſtrictions and Regulations of Trade, and the Cuſtoms and Duties on Import and Export ſettled in *England*, when the Union commences, ſhall, from and after the Union, take place throughout the whole united Kingdom.

VII.

VII. THAT all Parts of the United Kingdom be for ever, from and after the Union, lyable to the ſame Exciſes upon all Exciſeable Liquors: And that the Exciſe ſettled in *England* on ſuch Liquors, when the Union commences, take place throughout the whole United Kingdom.

VIII. THAT, from and after the Union, all Forreign Salt which ſhall be imported into *Scotland*, ſhall be charged, at the Importation there, with the ſame Duties as the like Salt is now charged with, being imported into *England*, and to be levyed and ſecured in the ſame manner: But *Scotland* ſhall, for the ſpace of Seven Years from the ſaid Union, be exempted from the paying in *Scotland* for Salt made there, the Duty or Exciſe now payable for Salt made in *England*; But, from the Expiration of the ſaid Seven Years, ſhall be ſubject and lyable to the ſame Duties for Salt made in *Scotland*, as ſhall be then payable for Salt made in *England*, to be levyed and ſecured in the ſame manner, and with the like Draw-backs and Allowances as in *England*. And during the ſaid Seven Years, there ſhall be payed in *England* for all Salt made in *Scotland*, and imported from thence into *England*, the ſame Dutys upon the Importation, as ſhall be payable for Salt made in *England*, to be levyed and ſecured in the ſame manner as the Duties on Forreign Salt are, to be levyed and ſecured in *England*; And that, during the ſaid Seven Years, no Salt whatſoever be brought from *Scotland* to *England* by Land in any manner, under the

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Penalty of Forfeiting the Salt and the Cattle and Carriages made uſe of in bringing the ſame, and paying Twenty Shillings for every Buſhel of ſuch Salt, and proportionably for a greater or leſſer Quantity, for which the Carrier, as well as the Owner, ſhall be lyable joyntly and ſeverally; And the Perſons bringing, or carrying the ſame, to be Impriſoned by any one Juſtice of the Peace by the ſpace of ſix Moneths without Baill, and until the Penalty be payed; And that, during the ſaid Seven Years, all Salted Fleſh, or Fiſh, Exported from *Scotland* to *England*, or made uſe of for Victualling of Ships in *Scotland*, and all Fleſh put on Board in *Scotland*, to be Exported to Parts beyond the Seas, which ſhall be Salted with *Scots* Salt, or any Mixture therewith, ſhall be Forfeited, and may be Seized; And that, from and after the Union, the Laws and Acts of Parliament in *Scotland*, for Pineing, Curing, and Packing of Herrings, White Fiſh, and Salmond for Exportation, with Forreign Salt only, and for preventing of Frauds in Curing and Packing of Fiſh, be continued in Force in *Scotland*, ſubject to ſuch Alterations as ſhall be made by the Parliament of *Great-Britain*; And that all Fiſh Exported from *Scotland* to Parts beyond the Seas, which ſhall be Cured with Forreign Salt only, ſhall have the ſame Eaſes, Præmiums and Draw-backs, as are, or ſhall be allowed to ſuch Perſons as Export the like Fiſh from *England*: And if any Matters or Fraud relating to the ſaid Duties on Salt, ſhall hereafter appear, which are not ſufficiently provided againſt by this Article, the ſame ſhall be ſubject to ſuch further Proviſions, as ſhall be thought fit by the Parliament of *Great-Britain*.

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IX. THAT whenever the Summe of One Million nine hundred ninety ſeven thouſand, ſeven hundred and ſixty three Pounds, eight ſhilling and four pence half-penny, ſhall be Enacted by the Parliament of *Great-Britain*, to be raiſed in that part of the united Kingdom, now called *England*, on Land and other things uſually charged in Acts of Parliament there, for granting an Aid to the Crown by a Land-Tax; That part of the united Kingdom now called *Scotland*, ſhall be charged by the ſame Act, with a further Summe of Fourty eight thouſand pounds free of all Charges, as the *Quota* of *Scotland* to ſuch Tax, and ſo proportionably for any greater or leſſer Summe raiſed in *England* by any Tax on Land, and other Things uſually charged, together with the Land; And that ſuch *Quota* for *Scotland*, in the caſes aforeſaid, be Raiſed and Collected in the ſame manner as the Ceſs now is in *Scotland*, but ſubject to ſuch Regulations in the manner of Collecting, as ſhall be made by the Parliament of *Great-Britain*.

X. THAT during the Continuance of the reſpective Duties on Stampt Paper, Vellome and Parchment, by the ſeverall Acts now in Force in *England*, *Scotland* ſhall not be charged with the ſame reſpective Duties.

XI. THAT during the Continuance of the Duties payable in *England* on Windows and Lights, which determines on the firſt day of *Auguſt* One thouſand ſeven Hundred and Ten, *Scotland* ſhall not be charged with the ſame Duties.

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XII. THAT during the Continuance of the Dutys payable in *England* on Coals, Culm, and Cynders, which determines the Thirtieth Day of *September* One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ten, *Scotland* shall not be charged therewith for Coals, Culm and Cynders consumed there, but shall be charged with the same Duties as in *England* for all Coal, Culm and Cynders not consumed in *Scotland.*

XIII. THAT during the Continuance of the Duty payable in *England* on Mault, which determines the Twenty Fourth Day of *June*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seven, *Scotland* shall not be charged with that Duty.

XIV. THAT the Kingdom of *Scotland* be not charged with any other Duties laid on by the Parliament of *England* before the *Union*, except those consented to in this Treaty; In regard it is agreed, That all necessary Provision shall be made by the Parliament of *Scotland* for the publick Charge and Service of that Kingdom for the Year one thousand seven hundred and seven: *Provided nevertheless*, That if the Parliament of *England* shall think fit to lay any further Impositions by way of Customs, or such Excises, with which by vertue of this Treaty, *Scotland* is to be charged equally with *England*; In such case *Scotland* shall be lyable to the same Customs and Excises, and have an Equivalent to be settled by the Parliament of *Great-Britain*. And seing it cannot be

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ſuppos'd that the Parliament of *Great-Britain* will ever lay any ſorts of Burthens upon the united Kingdom, but what they ſhall find of neceſſity at that time for the Preſervation and Good of the whole; And with due regard to the Circumſtances and Abilities of every part of the united Kingdom; Therefore, *It is agreed*, that there be no further Exemption, inſiſted on for any part of the united Kingdom, but that the Conſideration of any Exemptions beyond what are already agreed on in this Treaty, ſhall be left to the Determination of the Parliament of *Great-Britain*.

XV. WHEREAS by the Terms of this Treaty, the Subjects of *Scotland*, for preſerving an equality of Trade throughout the united Kingdom, will be lyable to ſeveral Cuſtoms and Exciſes now payable in *England*, which will be applicable towards payment of the Debts of *England*, contracted before the *Union*; *It is agreed*, that *Scotland* ſhall have an Equivalent for what the Subjects thereof ſhall be ſo charg'd towards payment of the ſaid Debts of *England*, in all particulars whatſoever, in manner following, *viz.* That before the Union of the ſaid Kingdoms, the Summe of three hundred, ninty eight thouſand and eighty five pound ten ſhil-

lings be granted to Her Majesty by the Parliament of *England*, for the Uses after-mentioned, being the Equivalent, to be answered to *Scotland* for such parts of the said Customs and Excises upon all exciſable Liquors, with which that Kingdom is to be charg'd upon the *Union*, as will be applicable to the payment of the said Debts of *England*, according to the Proportions which the present Customs in *Scotland*, being thirty thousand Pounds *per Annum*, do bear to the Customs in *England*, computed at one Million, three hundred, forty one thousand, five hundred and fifty nine Pounds *per Annum*; And which the present Excises on exciſable Liquors in *Scotland*, being thirty three thousand and five hundred Pounds *per Annum*, do bear to the Excises on exciſable Liquors in *England*, computed at nine hundred, forty seven thousand, six hundred and two Pounds *per Annum*; Which Summe of three hundred, ninety eight thousand, eighty five Pounds, ten shillings, shall be due and payable from the time of the *Union*: And in regard, that after the *Union*, *Scotland* becoming lyable to the same Customs and Duties payable on Import and Export, and to the same Excises on all exciſable Liquors as in *England*, as well upon that account

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as upon the account of the Encreaſe of Trade and People, (which will be the happy Conſequence of the *Union*) The ſaid Revenues will much improve beyond the before-mentioned Annual Values thereof, of which no preſent Eſtimat can be made; Yet nevertheleſs, for the Reaſons aforeſaid, there ought to be a proportionable Equivalent anſwered to *Scotland*; *It is agreed*, That, after the Union, there ſhall be an Account kept of the ſaid Dutys ariſing in *Scotland*, to the end it may appear, what ought to be Anſwer'd to *Scotland*, as an Equivalent for ſuch Proportion of the ſaid Encreaſe as ſhall be applicable to the payment of the Debts of *England*. And for the further and more effectual Anſwering the ſeveral Ends hereafter mentioned, *It is agreed*, That, from and after the Union, the whole Encreaſe of the Revenues of Cuſtoms, and Duties on Import and Export, and Exciſe upon Exciſable Liquors in *Scotland*, over and above the Annual Produce of the ſaid reſpective Duties, as above ſtated, ſhall go and be apply'd, for the Term of Seven Years, to the Uſes hereafter mentioned; And that, upon the ſaid Account, there ſhall be Anſwered to *Scotland* Annually, from the end of Seven Years after the Union, an Equivalent in

Proportion to ſuch Part of the ſaid Encreaſe, as ſhall be applicable to the Debts of *England*. And whereas, from the Expiration of ſeven Years after the Union, *Scotland* is to be lyable to the ſame Duties for Salt made in *Scotland*, as ſhall be then payable for Salt made in *England*; *It is agreed*, That, when ſuch Duties take place there, an Equivalent ſhall be Anſwered to *Scotland* for ſuch Part thereof, as ſhall be apply'd towards payment of the Debts of *England*; Of which Duties, an Account ſhall be kept, to the end it may appear, what is to be Anſwered to *Scotland* as the ſaid Equivalent. And generally, That an Equivalent ſhall be Anſwered to *Scotland* for ſuch Parts of the *Engliſh* Debts, as *Scotland* may hereafter become lyable to pay by Reaſon of the Union, other than ſuch for which Appropriations have been made by Parliament in *England* of the Cuſtoms, or other Duties on Export and Import, Exciſes on all Exciſable Liquors or Salt, in Reſpect of which Debts, Equivalents are herein before provided. And as for the Uſes, to which the ſaid Summe of Three Hundred, Ninety Eight Thouſand, Eighty Five Pounds, Ten ſhillings, to be granted as aforeſaid, and all other Moneys which are to be Anſwered

or Allowed to *Scotland* as aforeſaid, *It is agreed*, That, out of the ſaid Summe of Three Hundred, Ninety Eight Thouſand, Eighty Five Pound, Ten ſhillings, all the Publick Debts of the Kingdom of *Scotland*, and alſo the Capital Stock, or Fund of the *African* and *Indian* Company of *Scotland* advanc'd, together with the Intereſt for the ſaid Capital Stock, after the Rate of Five Pounds *per Cent. per Annum*, from the reſpective Times of the Payment thereof, ſhall be payed: Upon Payment of which Capital Stock and Intereſt, *It is agreed*, The ſaid Company be Diſſolv'd and Ceaſe, and alſo, That, from the Time of Paſſing the Act of Parliament in *England*, for Raiſing the ſaid Summe of Three Hundred, Ninety Eight Thouſand, Eighty Five Pounds, Ten ſhillings, the ſaid Company ſhall neither Trade, nor grant Licenſe to Trade. And as to the Overplus of the ſaid Summe of Three Hundred, Ninety Eight Thouſand, Eighty Five Pound, Ten ſhillings, after the Payment of the ſaid Debts of the Kingdom of *Scotland*, and the ſaid Capital Stock and Intereſt, and alſo the whole Encreaſe of the ſaid Revenues of Cuſtoms, Duties and Exciſes, above the preſent Value, which ſhall ariſe in *Scotland*, during the ſaid Term of Seven Years, together

ther with the Equivalent which ſhall become due upon Account of the Improvement thereof in *Scotland* after the ſaid Term; And alſo, as to all other Summs, which, according to the Agreements aforeſaid, may become payable to *Scotland* by way of Equivalent, for what that Kingdom ſhall hereafter become lyable towards Payment of the Debts of *England*, *It is agreed*, That the ſame be apply'd in manner following, *viz.* That out of the ſame, what Conſideration ſhall be found neceſſary to be had for any Loſſes which Privat Perſons may ſuſtain, by Reducing the Coyn of *Scotland* to the Standard and Value of the Coyn of *England*, may be made good; And afterwards the ſame ſhall be wholly applyed towards Encouraging and Promoting the Fiſheries, and ſuch other Manufacturys and Improvements in *Scotland*, as may moſt conduce to the general Good of the united Kingdom. *And* it is agreed, That Her Majeſty be Impowred to Appoint Commiſſioners, who ſhall be accountable to the Parliament of *Great-Britain*, for diſpoſing the ſaid Summe of three hundred, ninety eight thouſand, eighty five Pounds, ten ſhillings, and all other Moneys which ſhall ariſe to *Scotland*, upon the Agreements aforeſaid, to the purpoſes before-mentioned:

tioned: Which Commiſſioners ſhall be Impowred to call for, Receive, and Diſpoſe of the ſaid Moneys in manner aforeſaid, and to inſpect the Books of the ſeveral Collectors of the ſaid Revenues, and of all other Duties, from whence an Equivalent may ariſe; And that the Collectors and Mannagers of the ſaid Revennes and Duties be obliged to give to the ſaid Commiſſioners ſubſcrib'd Authentick Abbreviats of the Produce of ſuch Revenues and Duties ariſing in their reſpective Diſtricts; And that the ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall have their Office within the Limits of *Scotland*, and ſhall, in ſuch Office, keep Books containing Accounts of the Amount of the Equivalents, and how the ſame ſhall have been diſpoſed of from time to time, which may be inſpected by any of the Subjects who ſhall deſire the ſamen.

XVI. THAT, from and after the Union, the Coyn ſhall be of the ſame Standard and Value throughout the United Kingdom, as now in *England*, and a Mint ſhall be continued in *Scotland* under the ſame Rules as the Mint in *England*, ſubject to ſuch Regulations as Her Majeſty, Her Heirs or Succeſſors, or the Parliament of *Great-Britain* ſhall think fit.

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XVII. THAT, from and after the *Union*, the ſame Weights and Meaſures ſhall be uſed throughout the United Kingdom, as are now Eſtabliſhed in *England*; and Standards of Weights and Meaſures ſhall be kept by thoſe Burroughs in *Scotland*, to whom the Keeping the Standards of Weights and Meaſures, now in uſe there, do's of ſpecial Right belong: All which Standards ſhall be ſent down to ſuch reſpective Burroughs from the Standards kept in the Exchequer at *Weſtminſter*, ſubject nevertheleſs to ſuch Regulations, as the Parliament of *Great-Britain* ſhall think fit.

XVIII. THAT the Laws concerning Regulation of Trade, Cuſtoms, and ſuch Exciſes, to which *Scotland* is, by virtue of this Treaty, to be lyable, be the ſame in *Scotland*, from and after the *Union* as in *England*; And that all other Laws, in uſe within the Kingdom of *Scotland*, do after the *Union*, and notwithſtanding thereof, remain in the ſame Force as before, (except ſuch as are contrary to, or inconſiſtent with the Terms of this Treaty) but alterable by the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain*, with this Difference betwixt the Laws concerning Publick Right, Policy, and Civil Government, and thoſe which concern privat Right; That

That the Laws which concern publick Right, Policy, and Civil Government, may be made the same throughout the whole united Kingdom; But that no Alteration be made in Laws which concern privat Right, except for evident Utility of the Subjects within *Scotland*.

XIX. THAT the Court of Session, or Colledge of Justice, do after the *Union*, and notwithstanding thereof, remain in all time coming within *Scotland* as it is now Constituted by the Laws of that Kingdom, and with the same Authority and Priviledges as before the *Union*, subject nevertheless to such Regulations for the better Administration of Justice, as shall be made by the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain*; And that the Court of *Justiciary* do also after the *Union*, and notwithstanding thereof, remain in all time coming within *Scotland*, as it is now Constituted by the Laws of that Kingdom, and with the same Authority and Priviledges as before the *Union*, subject nevertheless to such Regulations as shall be made by the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain*, and without prejudice of other Rights of *Justiciary*; And that all *Admiralty Jurisdictions* be under the Lord High *Admiral* or *Commissioners* for the *Admiralty* of *Great-Britain* for the time being; And that the *Court* of *Admiralty* now E-

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ſtabliſhed in *Scotland* be continued, and that all Reviews, Reductions, or Suſpenſions, of the Sentences in Maritime Caſes competent to the Juriſdiction of that *Court*, remain in the ſame manner after the *Union*, as now in *Scotland*, until the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain* ſhall make ſuch Regulations and Alterations, as ſhall be judg'd Expedient for the whole united Kingdom, ſo as there be always continued in *Scotland* a *Court* of *Admiralty*, ſuch as is in *England*, for Determination of all Maritime Caſes relating to privat Rights in *Scotland*, competent to the Juriſdiction of the *Admiralty Court*, ſubject nevertheleſs to ſuch Regulations and Alterations as ſhall be thought proper to be made by the Parliament of *Great-Britain*; And that the Heretable Rights of Admiralty and Vice-Admiralties in *Scotland* be Reſerved to the Reſpective Proprietors as Rights of Property, ſubject nevertheleſs, as to the manner of Exerciſing ſuch Heretable Rights, to ſuch Regulations and Alterations, as ſhall be thought proper to be made by the Parliament of *Great-Britain*; And that all other Courts now in Being within the Kingdom of *Scotland* do remain, but ſubject to Alterations by the Parliament of *Great-Britain*; And that all Inferior Courts within the

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ſaid Limits do remain Subordinate, as they are now to the Supream Courts of Juſtice within the ſame in all time coming; And that no Cauſes in *Scotland* be Cognoſcable by the Courts of *Chancery*, *Queens-Bench*, *Common-Pleas*, or any other Court in *Weſtminſter-Hall*; And that the ſaid Courts, or any other of the like Nature, after the Union, ſhall have no Power to Cognoſce, Review, or Alter the Acts or Sentences of the Judicatures within *Scotland*, or Stop the Execution of the ſame; And that there be a Court of Exchequer in *Scotland* after the Union, for Deciding Queſtions concerning the Revenues of Cuſtoms and Exciſes there, having the ſame Power and Authority in ſuch Caſes, as the Court of Exchequer has in *England*; And that the ſaid Court of Exchequer in *Scotland* have Power of paſſing Signatures, Gifts, Tutories, and in other Things, as the Court of Exchequer at preſent in *Scotland* hath; And that the Court of Exchequer that now is in *Scotland* do remain, until a new Court of Exchequer be ſettled by the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain* in *Scotland* after the Union; And that, after the Union, the Queens Majeſty, and Her Royal Succeſſors, may continue a Privy Council in *Scotland*, for preſerving of publick Peace and Order, until the *Parlia-*

ment of *Great-Britain* ſhall think fit to alter it, or eſtabliſh any other effectual Method for that End.

XX. THAT all Heretable Offices, Heretable Juriſdictions, Offices for Life, and Juriſdictions for Life, be Reſerved to the Owners thereof, as Rights of Property, in the ſame manner, as they are now enjoy'd by the Laws of *Scotland*, notwithſtanding of this Treaty.

XXI. THAT the Rights and Priviledges of the *Royal-Burroughs* in *Scotland* as they now are, do remain intire after the *Union*, and notwithſtanding thereof.

XXII. THAT by vertue of this Treaty of the Peers of *Scotland* at the time of the *Union*, Sixteen ſhall be the Number to Sit and Vote in the Houſe of *Lords*, and Forty five the Number of the Repreſentatives of *Scotland* in the Houſe of *Commons* of the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain*; And that when Her Majeſty, Her Heirs or Succeſſors, ſhall declare Her or Their Pleaſure, for holding the firſt or any ſubſequent *Parliament* of *Great-Britain*, until the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain* ſhall make further Proviſion therein, a Writ do iſſue under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, directed to the

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Privy Council of *Scotland*, commanding them to cauſe ſixteen Peers, who are to ſit in the Houſe of *Lords*, to be ſummon'd to *Parliament*, and forty five Members to be elected to ſit in the Houſe of *Commons* of the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain*, according to the Agreement in this Treaty, in ſuch manner as by the *Parliament* of *Scotland* ſhall be ſettled before the *Union*: And that the Names of the perſons ſo ſummon'd and elected, ſhall be return'd by the Privy Council of *Scotland*, into the Court from whence the ſaid Writ did iſſue. And that if Her Majeſty, on or before the firſt Day of *May* next, on which Day the *Union* is to take place, ſhall declare, under the Great Seal of *England*, That it is Expedient, that the Lords of Parliament of *England*, and Commons of the preſent Parliament of *England* ſhould be the Members of the reſpective Houſes of the firſt *Parliament* of *Great-Britain*, for and on the part of *England*, then the ſaids Lords of Parliament of *England*, and Commons of the preſent Parliament of *England*, ſhall be the Members of the reſpective Houſes of the firſt Parliament of *Great-Britain*, for, and on the part of *England*: And Her Majeſty may by Her Royal Proclamation, under the Great Seal of *Great-Britain*, appoint the ſaid firſt Parliament of *Great-Britain*

tain, to meet at ſuch Time and Place as Her Majeſty ſhall think fit; which Time ſhall not be leſs than Fifty Days after the Date of ſuch Proclamation; and the Time and Place of the Meeting of ſuch Parliament being ſo appointed, a Writ ſhall be immediately iſſued under the Great Seal of *Great-Britain*, directed to the Privy Council of *Scotland*, for the Summoning the ſixteen Peers, and for Electing forty five *Members*, by whom *Scotland* is to be repreſented in the Parliament of *Great-Britain*: And the Lords of Parliament of *England*, and the ſixteen Peers of *Scotland*, ſuch ſixteen Peers being Summoned and Return'd in the Manner agreed in this Treaty; And the Members of the Houſe of Commons of the ſaid Parliament of *England*, and the forty five Members for *Scotland*, ſuch forty five Members being Elected and Return'd in the Manner agreed in this Treaty, ſhall aſſemble and meet reſpectively, in their reſpective Houſes of the Parliament of *Great-Britain*, at ſuch Time and Place as ſhall be ſo appointed by Her Majeſty, and ſhall be the Two Houſes of the *Firſt Parliament* of *Great-Britain*, and that *Parliament* may continue for ſuch time only, as the preſent *Parliament* of *England* might have continued, if the *Union* of the Two Kingdoms

doms had not been made, unleſs ſooner Diſſolved by Her Majeſty; And that every one of the *Lords* of *Parliament* of *Great-Britain*, and every Member of the Houſe of *Commons* of the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain* in the Firſt, and all ſucceeding *Parliaments* of *Great-Britain*, until the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain* ſhall otherways direct, ſhall take the reſpective *Oaths*, appointed to be taken in ſtead of the *Oaths* of *Alledgeance* and *Supremacy*, by an *Act* of *Parliament* made in *England*, in the Firſt Year of the Reign of the late King *William* and Queen *Mary*, Entituled, *An Act for the Abrogating of the Oaths of Supremacy and Alledgeance, and Appointing other Oaths*, and make, ſubſcribe, and audibly repeat the *Declaration* mention'd in an *Act* of *Parliament* made in *England* in the Thirtieth Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, Entituled, *An Act for the more effectual preſerving the Kings Perſon and Government, by Diſabling Papiſts from ſitting in either Houſe of Parliament*, and ſhall take and ſubſcribe the *Oath* mention'd in an *Act* of *Parliament* made in *England*, in the Firſt Year of Her Majeſties Reign, Entituled, *An Act to declare the Alterations in the Oath appointed to be taken by the Act*, Entituled, *An Act for the further Security of His Majeſties Perſon, and the Succeſſion of the Crown in the Proteſtant Line, and for Ex-*

Extinguiſhing the Hopes of the pretended Prince of Wales, and all other Pretenders, and their open and ſecret Abettors, and for Declaring the *Aſſociation* to be determin'd at ſuch time, and in ſuch manner, as the Members of both Houſes of *Parliament* of *England* are, by the ſaid reſpective *Acts*, directed to take, make, and ſubſcribe the ſame, upon the Penalties and Diſabilities in the ſaid reſpective *Acts* contain'd. And it is *Declar'd* and *Agreed*, That theſe Words, *This Realm*, *The Crown of this Realm*, and the *Queen of this Realm*, mentioned in the *Oaths* and *Declaration* contain'd in the aforeſaid *Acts*, which were intended to ſignifie the *Crown* and *Realm* of *England*, ſhall be underſtood of the *Crown* and *Realm* of *Great-Britain*; And that, in that Senſe, the ſaid *Oaths* and *Declaration* be taken and ſubſcribed by the Members of both Houſes of the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain*.

XXIII. THAT the foreſaid Sixteen Peers of *Scotland*, mentioned in the laſt preceeding Article, to ſit in the Houſe of Lords of the Parliament of *Great-Britain*, ſhall have all Priviledges of Parliament, which the Peers of *England* now have, and which they, or any Peers of *Great-Britain*, ſhall have after the Union, and particularly the Right of ſitting upon the Tryals of Peers: And in caſe of the

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Tryal of any Peer, in Time of Adjournment or Prorogation of Parliament, The ſaid Sixteen Peers ſhall be Summon'd in the ſame manner, and have the ſame Powers and Priviledges at ſuch Tryal, as any other Peers of *Great-Britain*; And that, in caſe any Tryals of Peers ſhall hereafter happen, when there is no Parliament in Beeing, the Sixteen Peers of *Scotland*, who ſate in the laſt preceeding Parliament, ſhall be Summon'd in the ſame manner, and have the ſame Powers and Priviledges at ſuch Tryals, as any other Peers of *Great-Britain*; And that all Peers of *Scotland*, and their Succeſſors to their Honours and Dignities, ſhall, from and after the *Union*, be Peers of *Great-Britain*, and have Rank and Precedency next, and immediatly after the Peers of the like Orders and Degrees in *England* at the Time of the *Union*, and before all Peers of *Great-Britain*, of the like Orders and Degrees, who may be Created after the *Union*, and ſhall be Tryed as Peers of *Great-Britain*, and ſhall Enjoy all Priviledges of Peers, as fully as the Peers of *England* do now, or as they, or any other Peers of *Great-Britain* may hereafter enjoy the ſame, except the Right and Priviledge of ſitting in the Houſe of Lords, and the Priviledges depending thereon, and particularly the Right of ſitting upon the Tryals of Peers.

XXIV. THAT from and after the *Union*, there be one Great Seal for the united Kingdom of *Great-Britain*, which ſhall be different from the Great Seal now us'd in either Kingdom; And that the quartering the Arms as may beſt ſute the *Union*, be left to Her Majeſty: And that in the mean time, the Great Seal of *England* be us'd as the Great Seal of the united Kingdom, and that the Great Seal of the united Kingdom be us'd for ſealing Writs to Elect and Summond the Parliament of *Great-Britain*, and for ſealing all Treaties with Forreign Princes and States, and all publick Acts, Inſtruments and Orders of State, which concern the whole united Kingdom, and in all other matters relating to *England*, as the Great Seal of *England* is now us'd; And that a Seal in *Scotland* after the *Union* be always kept and made uſe of in all things relating to privat Rights or Grants, which have uſually paſſed the Great-Seal of *Scotland*, and which only concern Offices, Grants, Commiſſions, and privat Rights within that Kingdom; And that, until ſuch Seal ſhall be appointed by Her Majeſty, the preſent Great-Seal of *Scotland* ſhall be us'd for ſuch purpoſes; And that the Privy-Seal, Signet, Caſſet, Signet of the Juſticiary Court, Quarter-

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Seal, and Seals of Courts now uſed in *Scotland* be continued ; But that the ſaid Seals be altered and adapted to the ſtate of the *Union*, as Her Majeſty ſhall think fit ; And the ſaid Seals, and all of them, and the Keepers of them, ſhall be ſubject to ſuch Regulations, as the *Parliament* of *Great-Britain* ſhall hereafter make.

XXV. THAT all Laws and Statutes in either Kingdom, ſo far as they are contrary to, or inconſiſtent with the Terms of theſe Articles, or any of them, ſhall, from and after the *Union*, ceaſe and become void, and ſhall be ſo declar'd to be, by the reſpective Parliaments of the ſaid Kingdoms.

In Teſtimony whereof, the Commiſſioners for the reſpective Kingdoms, Impowred as aforeſaid, have ſet their Hands and Seals to theſe Articles, contain'd in this, and the twenty five fore-going Pages, *at* Weſtminſter *the Day and Year firſt above-written.*

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Queensberry C. P. S.
Mar S.
Loudoun S.
Sutherland.
Tho. Cantuar.
Wm. Couper C. S.
Godolphin.
Pembroke P.
Newcaſtle C. P. S.
Morton

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Leven.
Stair.
Roseberie.
Glasgow.
Arch. Campbell.
Dupplin.
Rosse.
Hew. Dalrymple.
Ad. Cokburne.
F. Montgomerie.
David Dalrymple.
Pattr. Johnston.
Ja. Smollett.
W. Morison.
Alexander Grant.
W. Seton.
John Clerk.
Dan. Steuart.
Daniel Campbell.

Devonshire.
Somerset.
Bolton.
Kingston.
Sunderland.
Orford.
Townshend.
Twharton.
Poulett.
Somers.
J. Smith.
Hartington.
Granby.
C. Hedges.
Ro. Harley.
H. Boyle.
J. Holt.
Tho. Trevor.
Edw. Northey.
Sim. Harcourt.
J. Cooke.
Stephen Waller.

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